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in subdued but excited tones the horrible

All sorts of stories are afloat, one being that the fire originated in an adjoining

This latter rumor proved to be untrue. Mrs. Tracy was a sister of Gen. Isaac H. Catlin, of Brooklyn, with whom Gen.



Tracy entered into a law partnership after giving up the United States District-Attorneyship, to which President Johnson appointed him.

Gen. Tracy and his family had continued in Washington to be social favorites.

ites, as they had been in Brooklyn before the General was appointed to the Secretaryship, and the terrible occurrence of this morning shocks and grieves Washington society beyond measure.

The house in which the Tracys lived was the former residence of Postmaster-General Dickinson, at 1634 I street, north of Farragut square.

It was two stories in height, with a mansard roof, and a pleasant bay window ran up the front from the basement to the roof.

Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy is about fifty-nine years old. He was born in Owego, N. Y., and secured his education in the common school of his native town. After leaving the Owego Academy he entered the law office of Nathaniel W. Davis, where he remained engaged in the study of law until 1851, when he was admitted to the bar and soon made a mark in his profession.

In 1853 he became the Republican candidate for District Attorney of Tioga

He was elected to the Assembly in 1961, and a year later he recruited the One Hundred and Ninth and One Hundred Thirty-seventh regiments and received his commission as Colonel of the former regiment from Gov. Morgan.

In the battle of the Wilderness, May 5, Col. Tracy led in the thick of the fight. He was carried from the field exhausted.

but refused to go to a hospital, but led his command through the three days' fight at Spotsylvania, when, having been

pletely broken down, he was forced to turn over his command to his junior

officer. He subsequently was tendered and accepted the command of the One

After the war Gen. Tracy settled in New York and resumed his practice of

the law as one of the firm of Benedict, Tracy & Benedict. He was one of the

counsel for the defense in the celebrated Beecher trial. In 1866 Gen. Tracy was made United States District-Attorney for

the Eastern District of New York, which position he held until 1873, when he was forced to resign because of the growth of his private practice.

Gen. Tracy is a well-known breeder of
rotters, and owned the Marshland stud

at Apalachin, Tioga County, N. Y., where he has as stallions Mambrino Dudley, by Woodford. Mambrino record 2:19½.

Cheltenham, by Oxmore, record 2.23, and Bravado, by Kentucky Wilkes.

"Parsifal" to Be Heard.

The Seidl Society will give an entertainment at the Academy of Music on March 31, when "Parsifal" will be played by the

metropolitan Opera-House orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Anton Seidl. The entertainment will begin at 5 o'clock and there will be an intermission of an hour at

8.30 o'clock. The soloists will be the principal singers of the Metropolitan Opera-house, including Mme. Lehmann and Emil Fischer, Theodor Reichmann and Herr Schalk. The three acts of "Hansel and Gretel" will be given in German.

men. In three acts of Parsian will be given in full. Refreshments will be served in the assembly-rooms, and the halls and vestibules of the building will be handsomely decorated. The stage will be an

with the Cathedral scene and adorned with
owers and Oriental hangings. The enter-
ainment will be a social as well as a musical
one, and the occasion will be made notable

in many respects. The charge for admission will be but for one concert.

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